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PRESIDENT ROBAK: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. Our chaplain for the day is Pastor Lindley Jacobsen from the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in LaVista in Senator Withem's district. Pastor Jacobsen.

PASTOR JACOBSEN: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Pastor Jacobsen. I now call the forty-ninth day of the Legislature to order. Will senators please record your presence.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections this morning, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Messages, reports and announcements.

CLERK: I have but one item. Senator Maurstad offers LR 80. (Read brief description of resolution. See pages 1266-67 of the Legislative Journal.) That will be laid over, Madam President. That's the only item I have this morning.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We now turn to confirmation reports, Natural Resources Committee.

CLERK: Senator Beutler, as Chair of Natural Resources offers a report found on page 1037 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Members of the Legislature, the committee would suggest that the appointment be confirmed by the Legislature with respect to the appointment of Gary Goldberg to the Nebraska Ethanol Board and the appointment of Pat Hillebrandt also to the Nebraska Ethanol Board. I would move that confirmation.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Is there any discussion of the Natural Resources Committee confirmation